William Henry Harrison home collection

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Summary Information

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Title William Henry Harrison home collection

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Historical Note

In 1908, the Francis Vigo Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution had thirteen charter members. Beginning in 1910, the women became interested in preserving the William Henry Harrison house located at Scott and Park streets, about 600 feet from the Wabash River, in Vincennes, Indiana. William Henry Harrison was governor of the Indiana Territory and U.S. President. The Harrison family lived in the brick house until 1843.

Scope and Contents

Arthur R. Cochran, of the *Vincennes Sun Commercial*, wrote this four-page article. The *Indianapolis News* used some of Mr. Cochran's information for its article published on Wednesday, July 27, 1949.

The Francis Vigo Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution began in Vincennes in 1908 with thirteen charter members, and had 230 in 1949 when this article was written. They became interested in preserving the William Henry Harrison home in 1910, and, after many years of work and fundraising, became owners of the property in 1935. The article tells about the other uses of the large brick house after the Harrison family moved out in 1843. The building was a warehouse for storing grain, a hotel, a family residence, and a property of the Water Supply Company. The D.A.R. chapter has held its meetings in the parlor of the house from 1914 to the present (1949). In 1948, more than seven thousand people toured the historic house.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged by subject.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Custodial History

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No further additions are expected.

Processing Information

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Controlled Access Headings

Geographic Name(s)

• Vincennes (Ind.)

Personal Name(s)

• Harrison, W. H. (William Henry)

Subject(s)

- Article
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